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GENEVA FOR CLINGAN, US LOS DEL FROM US LOBSTER TALKS DEL

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIS BF

SUBJ: US/GCOB SPINY LOBSTER TALKS

1. TALKS BETWEEN USG AND GCOB REGARDING SPINY LOBSTER WERE  
TERMINATED TODAY AFTER BRIEF MORNING MEETING OF TWO  
DELEGATIONS.

2. HEAD OF GCOB DEL FONMIN ADDERLEY OPENED TODAY'S SESSION  
WITH STATEMENT THAT HE HAD NOTHING TO ADD TO GCOB POSITION  
OF FRIDAY 22 AUGUST, WHICH WAS THAT GCOB COULD NOT FIND IN  
U.S. PROPOSALS ANY BASIS FOR AGREEMENT.

3. HEAD OF USDEL WALLACE STATED THAT THE VIEW OF HIS GOVERN-  
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MENT WAS THAT UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES THERE WAS NO JUST-

IFICATION FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS AT THIS TIME. HE REITERATED REGRET THAT THE GCOB HAD NOT FOUND THE PROPOSALS OF U.S. ACCEPTABLE AND THEN PRESENTED PREPARED STATEMENT AS PER EARLIER INSTRUCTIONS INDICATING THE BELIEF OF USG THAT THE GCOB HAD A LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSIST IN SOLVING THE FISHERMAN PROBLEM.

4. ADDERLEY REMARKED THAT GCOB RECOGNIZED AN OBLIGATION UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW TO ATTEMPT TO ARRIVE AT AGREEMENT TO ACCOMMODATE FISHERMEN AFFECTED BY THE NEW BAHAMIAN LAW. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT THERE WAS NO OBLIGATION TO REACH AN AGREEMENT AND THAT WITH THESE DISCUSSIONS THE GCOB HAS MET ITS LEGAL OBLIGATIONS.

5. IT WAS AGREED THAT A BRIEF JOINT PRESS RELEASE WOULD BE PREPARED WITH BOTH SIDES RESERVING THE RIGHT TO PRESENT PUBLICLY AN ELABORATION OF THEIR POSITION AND VIEWS. JOINT PRESS RELEASE AGREED READS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: U.S./BAHAMAS SPINY LOBSTER TALKS, FINAL PRESS RELEASE

DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING SPINY LOBSTER BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE USA AND THE GCOB WHICH STARTED IN NASSAU ON AUGUST 13 AT THE REQUEST OF THE U.S. GOVT. ENDED TODAY. THE BAHAMAS DELEGATION STATED IT WAS THEIR CONCLUSION THAT THERE WAS NO BASIS FOR AGREEMENT AS A RESULT OF THESE DISCUSSIONS. END QUOTE

6. THE USA DELEGATION STATED THAT THEY WERE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE ENTIRE MATTER AGAIN IN THE FUTURE, AND ADDERLEY STATED THAT SUCH TALKS MIGHT BE DESIRABLE AT SOME FUTURE TIME. WEISS

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